

U.S. Application No. 10/657,093
Atty. Docket No. YOR919980228US4

REMARKS

Status of Claims:

Claims 1-84 were pending in the parent application (09/972,958) subject to restriction. Claims 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 17-24, 33-58 and 84 were allowed and issued as patent 6,656,693. A Preliminary Amendment, filed September 9, 2003, canceled Claims 1-58, 62, 65 and 84 and presented Claims 85-112. Claims 59-61, 63-64, 66-83, and 85-112 are now pending. Each of the pending claims defines an invention that is novel and unobvious over the cited art. Favorable consideration of this case is respectfully requested.

Election.

The Applicant elects for further prosecution, Group II, drawn to a method of self-assembly, classified in class 435, subclass 6. Claims 59-61, 63-64, 66-83, and 85-112 read on the elected Group.

Restriction and Telephonic Interview.

The present application ('093) is a division of 09/972,958 ('958), which issued as US 6,656,693 ('693). The '958 application presented, subject to a Restriction, Claims 1-58, drawn to a device, and Claims 59-84, drawn to a method of making said device. The device claims issued in the '693 patent. The Preliminary Amendment in the instant application canceled the device claims (Claims 1-58) and presented only method claims (Claims 59-61, 63-64, 66-83, and 85-112).

The Examiner issued a Restriction directing an Election of either:

- Group I: Claims 1-8 and 10-58, drawn to a device; or
- Group II: Claims 9 and 60-84 drawn to a method.

The Examiner extended Applicant's representative the courtesy of a telephonic interview, conducted June 21, 2005.

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Applicant's representative directed the Examiner's attention to the Preliminary amendment, noting that the Group I claims were canceled therein.

In view of the fact that the Group I claims had been canceled, the Examiner agreed to withdraw the Restriction.

Conclusion:

In view of the above, consideration and allowance are, therefore, respectfully solicited.

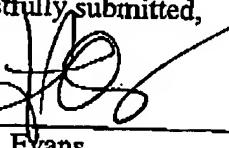
Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the foregoing amendments be entered, that the application as so amended receive an examination on the merits, and that the claims as now presented receive an early allowance.

In the event the Examiner believes an interview might serve to advance the prosecution of this application in any way, the undersigned attorney is available at the telephone number noted below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayment associated with this communication, including any extension fees or fees for the net addition of claims, to Deposit Account No. 22-0185.

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